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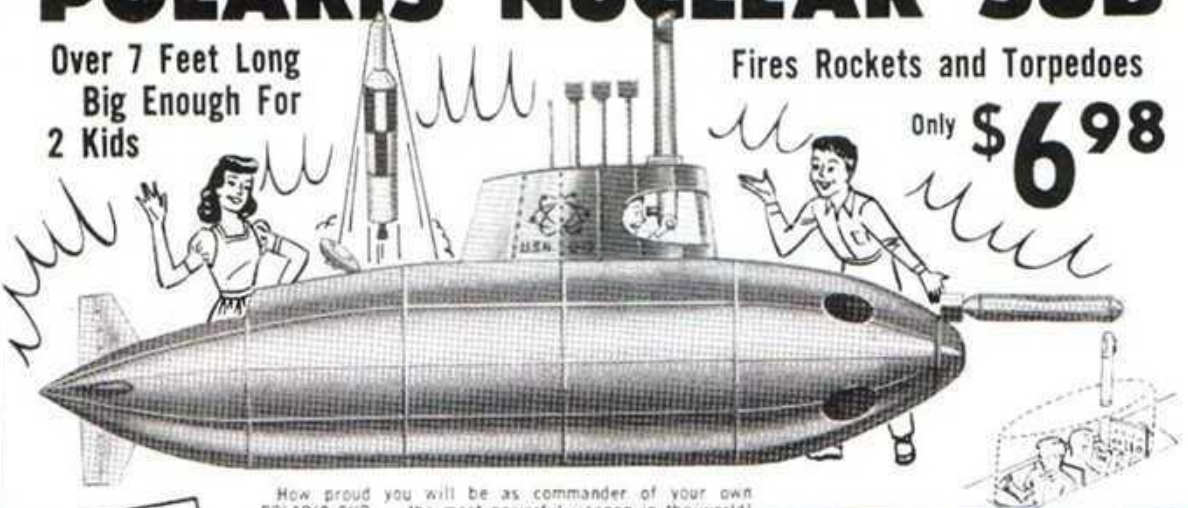

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SUPERMAN'S UNBEATABLE RIVAL!
Schaffenberger
STOP, SUPERMAN... DON'T ATTACK HERO! HE DOESN'T MEAN ME ANY HARM! THIS MUST BE THE WAY THEY COURT A GIRL ON THE WORLD FROM WHICH HE COMES!

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ONE DAY, AS LOIS LANE AND JIMMY OLSEN COVER THE STORY OF A FIRE...
THAT WALL...IT'S COLLAPSING! I'LL CALL SUPERMAN WITH MY ULTRA-SONIC SIGNAL-WATCH!
HE DOESN'T RESPOND! QUICK...DUCK UNDER THESE DESKS! IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE!
ZEEE-ZEEE-ZEEE

SMART THINKING, LOIS! SUPERMAN COULDN'T HAVE SAVED US, I JUST REMEMBERED HE'S ATTENDING A JUSTICE LEAGUE MEETING ON ANOTHER WORLD.

YES, AT THAT VERY MOMENT, THE FAMED BAND OF CRIME-FIGHTERS SITS IN SOLEMN CONCLAVE ON A FARAWAY PLANET...
FLASH, WE MUST SPEED UP PROCEEDINGS. REMEMBER, EARTH IS UNPROTECTED WHILE WE'RE AWAY!
YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER, SUPERMAN! WE'LL REMAIN HERE TILL WE NEGOTIATE THIS INTER-PLANETARY TREATY TO SET UP A NEW ASTEROID PRISON FOR SPACE CRIMINALS!

NOT LONG AFTER, BACK ON EARTH...
LOOK! A STRANGE SPACE-CAPSULE IS FALLING! IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ONE OF OURS!
NO NATION HAS HAD ANY LAUNCHINGS RECENTLY. IT MUST BE FROM ANOTHER WORLD!

MAYBE IT'S A DOOMS-DAY WEAPON SENT BY ONE OF EARTH'S ENEMIES! CALL SUPERMAN!
HE'S AWAY ON A MISSION. OUR COMPUTERS HAVE CALCULATED THE CAPSULE'S DROP-ZONE. WE'RE SENDING A CARRIER TO PICK IT UP!
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SOON, OUT IN THE ATLANTIC, A WEIRD SPLASHDOWN IS VIEWED...
THERE'S THE ALIEN CAPSULE NOW!
WHAT A STRANGE CUSHIONING DEVICE... LIKE AN UPSIDE-DOWN PARACHUTE!
MOVE IN! WE'LL PICK UP THE SPACE CRAFT!

FANTASTIC! UNEARTHLY! I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT. WHERE IS IT FROM?
MAYBE WE'LL FIND SOME CLUE WHEN WE OPEN IT!

BUT WHEN THE CRYSTALLINE SHELL'S INTERIOR IS EXPOSED...
LOOK... THERE'S A PASSENGER... IN AN OUTLANDISH COSTUME! AND HE SEEMS TO BE IN A COMA!
GET HIM OUT OF THERE! WE MUST TRY TO REVIVE HIM.

AS THE WORLD'S PRESS SERVICES BROADCAST THE NEWS, DAILY PLANET EDITOR PERRY WHITE ACTS...
LOIS... JIMMY... TAKE THE PLANET HELICOPTER AND FLY OUT TO THE CARRIER AT ONCE! GET AN ON-THE-SPOT STORY ABOUT THAT ALIEN IN THE CAPSULE!
WE'RE ON OUR WAY, PERRY!

AFTER A SWIFT AIRBORNE JOURNEY...
THEY'VE GIVEN US PERMISSION TO LAND ON THE FLIGHT DECK! TAKE HER DOWN, JIMMY!
DAILY PLANET

PRESENTLY, IN THE CARRIER'S SICK BAY...
THAT'S RIGHT, MISS LANE. WE WON'T KNOW WHERE THIS ALIEN COMES FROM UNTIL WE REVIVE HIM. BUT ALL KNOWN METHODS HAVE FAILED!
HE'S SO HANDSOME. SIGH!! WHO CAN HE BE?
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JUST THEN...
HI, LOIS! I JUST RETURNED TO EARTH. WHEN I HEARD ABOUT THE STRANGER FROM SPACE, I CAME AT ONCE.
SUPERMAN! NO ONE CAN BRING THIS ALIEN OUT OF HIS COMA! WON'T YOU TRY?

A BRIEF MEDICAL CONSULTATION FOLLOWS. THEN...
PERHAPS I CAN REVIVE HIM BY REBUILDING THESE CIRCUITS TO DUPLICATE ONE OF MY INVENTIONS... A VITALIZER I ONCE USED TO BRING THE INHABITANTS OF A SLEEPING WORLD OUT OF SUSPENDED ANIMATION...

MOMENTS LATER...
THE VITALIZER IS FINISHED. NOW MY SUPER-POWERS WILL ACT LIKE A SUPER-BATTERY AND ANIMATE THE SLEEPING STRANGER!
THE POWER IS SURGING INTO HIM! I SEE A MUSCULAR REACTION!

BUT THE EXPERIMENT FAILS...
IT'S NO USE. I DETECT ONLY THE FAINTEST SIGN OF LIFE.
SUPERMAN, ISN'T THERE SOME OTHER WAY?
NOTHING I KNOW OF, LOIS. SORRY, I MUST LEAVE NOW...ON AN IMPORTANT MISSION.

AFTER THE MAN OF STEEL DEPARTS...
;SIGH!; POOR BOY... DOOMED TO SLUMBER FOREVER! HE LOOKS LIKE A HANDSOME, SLEEPING PRINCE IN A FAIRY TALE, WAITING FOR THE KISS OF A BEAUTIFUL MAIDEN TO AWAKEN HIM.
DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY, LOIS!

INTRIGUED BY THE FASCINATING STRANGER, LOIS FORGETS HERSELF BRIEFLY...
PERHAPS SOME DAY YOU WILL COME TO LIFE AGAIN! UNTIL THEN... HERE'S A KISS... ER... FOR LUCK!
LOIS, YOU'RE AN INCURABLE ROMANTIC! BUT THIS'LL MAKE A GREAT PICTURE FOR THE PLANET!
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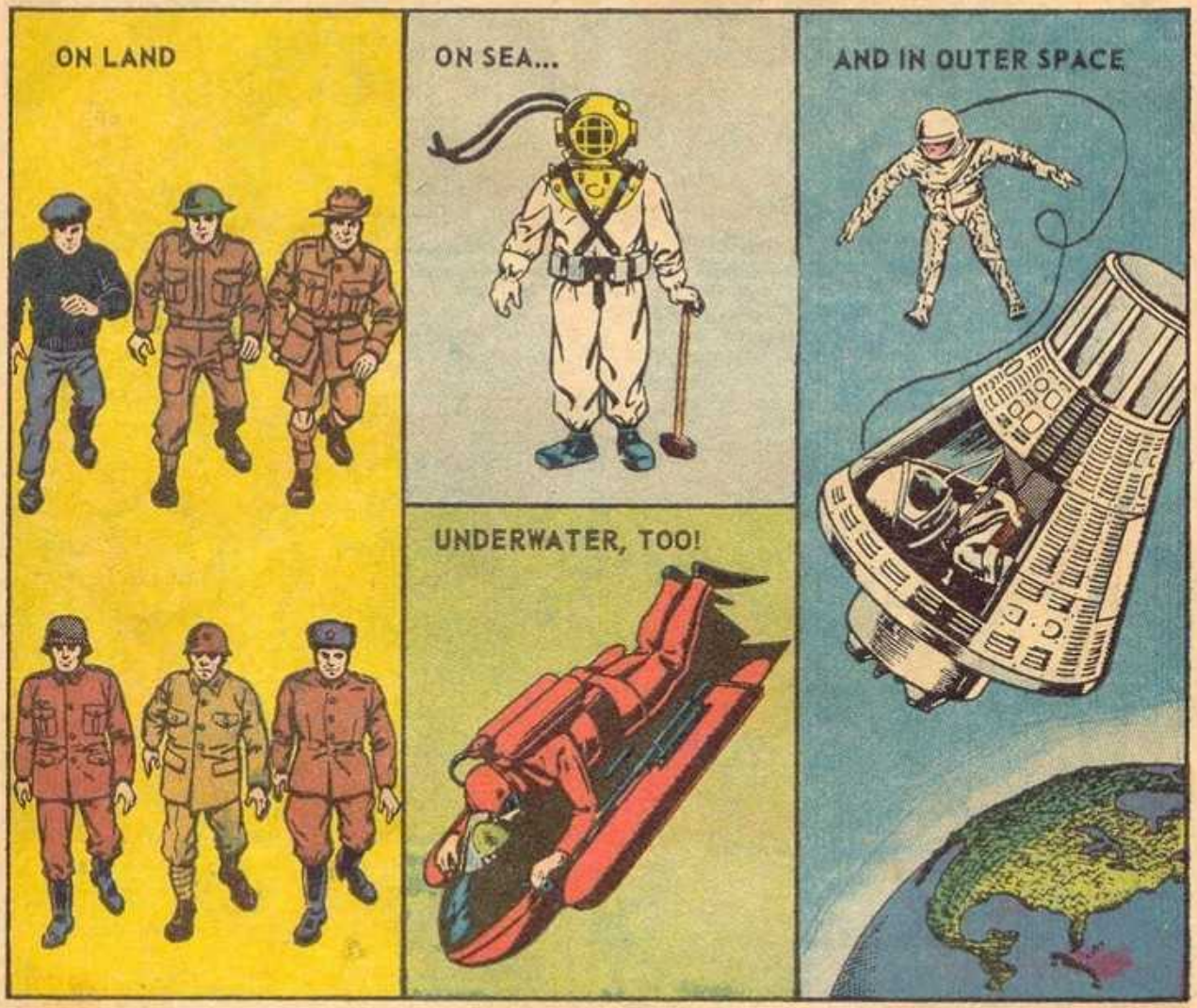

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SUDDENLY...
LOOK! THE ALIEN... HE'S MOVING... WAKING UP!
GASP!
IT'S LIKE A SWITCH ON THE SLEEPING BEAUTY! THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING!
THEN, EVEN MORE AMAZINGLY...
WHO FASTENED ME WITH THESE METAL BONDS? LET ME UP!
ULP! HE SNAPPED THOSE STEEL CLAMPS AS IF THEY WERE MADE OF PAPER. THEN HE'S SUPER A SUPER-BEING FROM ANOTHER PLANET!
WHERE AM I? HOW DID I GET HERE?
YOU'RE ON EARTH. YOU CAME HERE IN A SPACE CAPSULE. WHERE DID YOU LEARN TO SPEAK OUR LANGUAGE? WHO ARE YOU? WHERE ARE YOU FROM?
CALL ME... HERO! MY ORIGIN MUST REMAIN A SECRET FOR NOW! HOW DID YOU AWAKEN ME?
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT, HERO... BUT THIS YOUNG LADY KISSED YOU... AND SOMEHOW TRIGGERED YOUR REVIVAL.
THEN I DIDN'T DREAM THAT KISS! ... LET ME SHOW YOU MY GRATITUDE, LOVELY ONE!
WOW! THIS HANDSOME DREAMBOAT GOES FOR ME! HE'S PROBABLY GOING TO USE HIS ALIEN SCIENCE TO IMPROVE MY CAMERA.
BUT IN THE NEXT INSTANT...
YIII! MY CAMERA IS MELTING IN HIS HAND!
HE HAS A HEAT TOUCH! THIS GUY IS SUPER HERO REALLY!
HERO, IS THIS THE WAY YOU SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION?
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AT THAT MOMENT...
BRIDGE TO CAPTAIN!... RADIO ROOM RECEIVING AN S.O.S. FROM A FREIGHTER AFIRE FIFTY MILES TO THE EAST!
WE'LL START RESCUE OPERATIONS AT ONCE!
ON DECK, AS MORE DETAILS OF THE DISASTER COME IN...
S.O.S. TO ALL VESSELS IN THE AREA. CREW ABANDONING SHIP. SEND HELP! EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!
IT'LL TAKE US NEARLY TWO HOURS TO GET TO THE SCENE! THE FREIGHTER WILL BE SUNK BY THEN!
HERO! YOU HAVE SUPER-POWERS! YOU CAN SAVE THAT SHIP!
I WILL GO, BEAUTIFUL ONE. BUT YOU MUST COME WITH ME!
HERO... YOU'RE SO IMPETUOUS!
AFTER BEING IGNORED BY SUPERMAN, IT'S A THRILL TO HAVE THIS SUPER-ROMEO GIVE ME THE RUSH ACT!
RUSH ACT IS RIGHT! SPLIT SECONDS LATER...
YOWWW! HE'S GRABBING MY HAIR!
HANG ON! WE'LL BE AT THE DISASTER AREA BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!
GASP!! HANG ON, HE SAYS! AS IF I HAD A CHOICE! WHY IS HE TREATING ME THIS WAY IF HE LIKES ME?
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ON THE OTHER HAND, THIS MAY BE THE CUSTOM ON HIS PLANET... PERHAPS A SUITOR HAS TO ACT LIKE A CAVEMAN WHEN HE COURTS A GIRL!
SOON...
ONE MINUTE HE CAN'T DO WITHOUT ME... THE NEXT, HE DROPS ME LIKE A HOT POTATO. LUCKY I'M NEAR A RAFT!
HEY, LADY! WHO IS THAT GUY? HE CAN'T BE SUPER-MAN!
NO! HE'S A SUPER-BEING CALLED HERO, FROM ANOTHER WORLD. HIS SUPER-TECHNIQUES ARE DIFFERENT... BUT HE'LL SAVE YOUR VESSEL!
HE'S DIFFERENT, ALL RIGHT! INSTEAD OF PUTTING OUT THE FIRE, HE'S SWIMMING AROUND THE SHIP AT SUPER-SPEED! WHAT GIVES?
AS THE SEA IS WHIPPED INTO A VAST MAELSTROM...
GOOD GRIEF! HIS SUPER-SPEED IS CAUSING A GIANT WHIRLPOOL! IT'S DRAGGING YOUR SHIP DOWN! WHY IS HERO SINKING IT INSTEAD OF SAVING IT?

I CAN ANSWER THAT. OUR SHIP HAD A CARGO OF MUNITIONS. IT WOULD HAVE EXPLODED AND KILLED EVERY LIVING THING WITHIN MILES!
THEN HE REALLY SAVED US ALL. WHAT A MAN!
MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.. GOOD-BYE FOR NOW, LOIS! I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW!
GOOD-BYE, HERO!
I THOUGHT HE'D HAUL US TO SHORE, BUT HE PROBABLY HAS SOME VITAL TASK THAT'S MORE URGENT!
WAIT! HOW DID HE KNOW MY NAME? HE MUST'VE HAD A MEANS OF WATCHING ME FROM HIS WORLD... I'LL BET HE'S BEEN CARRYING THE TORCH FOR ME FOR YEARS. HOW THRILLING.
LATER, AS LOIS WINGS HOMEWARD, AFTER BEING RESCUED...
YOU DIDN'T NEED A HELICOPTER TO GET BACK TO METROPOLIS, LOIS. THAT HERO GUY HAS YOU FLYING ON CLOUD 9.
HE'S SO MYSTERIOUS... SO DIFFERENT! FRANKLY, I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HIM AGAIN!
NEXT DAY, AT THE DAILY PLANET, LOIS AWAITS HER NEW SUITOR WITH LANA LANG...
LOIS, I'M SCHEDULED TO MAKE A TV NEWS-CAST, BUT I MUST MEET THIS NEW SUPER-ADMIRER OF YOURS!
BUT WHERE CAN HE BE? HERO SAID HE'D VISIT ME TODAY... AND THE DAY IS ALMOST OVER!
AS REPORTER CLARK (SUPERMAN) KENT LEAVES...
DON'T GO OVERBOARD FOR THIS OTHER-WORLD CHARACTER, LOIS! AFTER ALL, YOU REALLY KNOW NOTHING ABOUT HIM.
WHY, CLARK! I BELIEVE YOU'RE JEALOUS!
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I'LL BET SUPERMAN WILL BE JEALOUS, TOO... WHEN HE HEARS HOW HERO CARES FOR ME!
SHE DOESN'T DREAM THAT I AM SUPERMAN... AND I DON'T DARE TELL HER MY SUSPICIONS ABOUT HERO!
SOON, AFTER CLARK LEAVES...
HI, LOIS!
HERE'S HERO NOW... SLIPPING THROUGH THAT WALL AS IF IT WEREN'T THERE! NOT EVEN SUPERMAN CAN DO THAT!
FABULOUS! AND HE'S AS HANDSOME AS A MOVIE STAR!
AFTER INTRODUCTIONS ARE MADE...
LOIS, LET'S CELEBRATE OUR NEW FRIENDSHIP BY HAVING DINNER TOGETHER!
A WONDERFUL IDEA, HERO! WAIT HERE UNTIL I GET MY HAT AND COAT!
SUDDENLY, THE PHONE RINGS...
HELLO! WHAT? A NEWS TIP FOR CLARK KENT OR LOIS LANE? WAIT... LET ME JOT DOWN THE INFORMATION!
?
RETURNING, LOIS OVERHEARS...
A NEWS TIP, EH? WHAT WAS IT, HERO? YOU CAN TELL ME. I'M LOIS' FRIEND.
AN ESCAPED CONVICT, "CHOPPER" BLADE, IS HIDING IN A CAVE INSIDE A PARK AT 66TH STREET AND 9TH AVENUE.
EAGER FOR A NEWS BEAT, LANA HURRIES OUT, AND...
I THOUGHT YOU LIKED ME, YOU DOUBLE-CROSSER! YOU HANDED LANA AN EXCLUSIVE SCOOP ON A SILVER PLATTER!
WHAPP!
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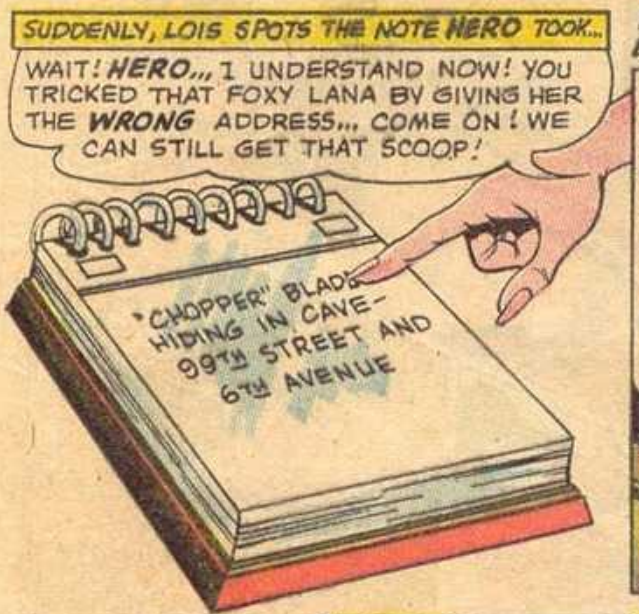
BUT IN A SUDDEN, INCREDIBLE SWITCH...
WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT? INSTEAD OF MURDERING ME, HE'S KISSING ME! I CAN FEEL HE LOVES ME WITH EVERY FIBER OF HIS BEING! THEN WHY DID HE DOUBLE-CROSS ME?


SUDDENLY, LOIS SPOTS THE NOTE HERO TOOK...
WAIT! HERO... I UNDERSTAND NOW! YOU TRICKED THAT FOXY LANA BY GIVING HER THE WRONG ADDRESS... COME ON! WE CAN STILL GET THAT SCOOP!
"CHOPPER" BLADE HIDING IN CAVE- 99TH STREET AND 6TH AVENUE

PRESENTLY, ON THE DAILY PLANET ROOF...
A GOOD IDEA, LOIS!
LANA MAY SUSPECT A TRICK AND BE WATCHING FOR US OUTSIDE THE BUILDING, SO WE'LL USE THE FLYING NEWSROOM TO GET TO "CHOPPER'S" HIDEOUT!

SOON, IN THE PARK...
THIS LOOKS LIKE THE HIDEOUT CAVE, HERO... BUT THERE IS A BOULDER SEALING THE ENTRANCE. HOW WILL YOU GET THROUGH?
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN MY ABILITY TO WALK THROUGH ANY BARRIER? WATCH!

SECONDS LATER, WITHIN THE CAVE...
;ULP!; HOW DID YOU GET THROUGH THAT STONE DOOR? WHO ARE YOU?
I'M KNOWN AS HERO! I AM HERE TO ARREST YOU, EVIL-DOER!

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CRUNCH!

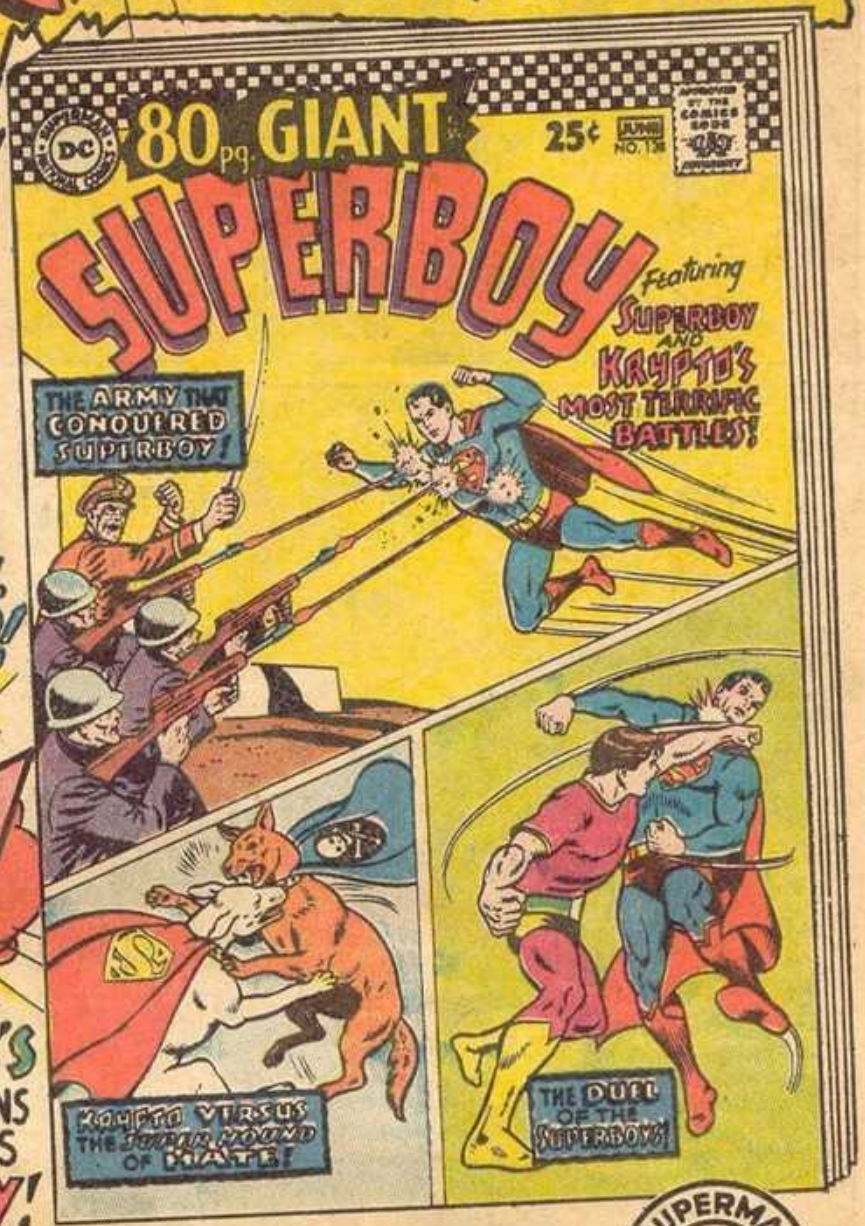
SUPERBOY DUELS DEV-EM, THE KNAVE FROM KRYPTON!

YIP!

KRYPTO TANGLES WITH HIS ARCH-ENEMY, DESTRUCTO!

BLAM!

THE GENERAL'S CRIMINAL ARMY TURNS ITS SECRET WEAPONS ON SUPERBOY!



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THEY DON'T CALL ME "CHOPPER" FOR NOTHING! NO ONE'S TAKING ME BACK TO THE PEN!... YIPES!
THOSE BULLETS ARE GOING THROUGH HIM AS IF HE WERE A SHADOW... OR A GHOST!
RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT
I'M TAKING A POWDER! LUCKY THING THERE'S JUST ENOUGH POWER IN THE SECURITY SYSTEM TO OPEN THIS HIDEOUT DOOR ONE MORE TIME!
CREEAAAK!
GREAT WORK, HERO! YOU SMOKED "CHOPPER" BLADE OUT INTO THE OPEN! QUICK, GRAB HIM!... GASP! I SAID TO GRAB HIM... NOT ME!
GET IN THERE AND STAY IN!
HERO! HAVE YOU GONE MAD? YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME!
THE IMPACT SMASHED THE DOOR CONTROLS! I'M SEALED IN HERE!
SLAM!
HERO! I'M THE GIRL YOU LOVE! IN HEAVEN'S NAME, GET ME OUT OF HERE!
I'M DOOMED! I'LL NEVER ESCAPE ALIVE!
BUT, AMAZINGLY...
SUPERMAN, THANK GOODNESS! HOW DID YOU KNOW WHERE TO FIND ME?
I'VE KEPT AN EYE ON YOU EVER SINCE CLARK TOLD ME ABOUT YOUR NEW SUPER-BOYFRIEND.

FRANKLY, I'D BETTER WARN YOU ABOUT THIS HERO CHARACTER...
I KNOW HE'S STRANGE AND DIFFERENT, BUT HE'S A SUPER-HERO, LIKE YOU. AND IT'S POSSIBLE THAT EARTH'S ENVIRONMENT HAS CONFUSED HIS ALIEN MIND!
SUDDENLY...
LOOK! IT'S "CHOPPER" BLADE! HE MUST HAVE GOTTEN AWAY FROM HERO! HE'S HEADING FOR THE PLANET HELICOPTER!
I'LL TEACH THAT LOUD-MOUTHED DAME...
RATATATAT!
AT THAT MOMENT OF PERIL, A PICTURESQUE FIGURE ZOOMS IN AT EYE-BLURRING VELOCITY...
IT'S HERO! HE CAME OUT OF NOWHERE TO PROTECT ME!
RATA-TATAT!
BUT, INCREDIBLY...
A PERFECT TARGET!
EEEE! HERO! YOU'RE HOLDING ME IN THE LINE OF FIRE!
OH-OH! I SHOULD'VE EXPECTED SOMETHING LIKE THIS! GOT TO MOVE AT LIGHTNING SPEED!
I'M CLOSING THE SHOOTING GALLERY DOWN, "CHOPPER".
THIS LIGHT TAP WILL PUT HIM OUT OF ACTION UNTIL I SETTLE WITH HERO!
POW
HERO! MY X-RAY VISION REVEALS YOUR ORIGIN AND IDENTITY. YOU'D BETTER FORGET ABOUT BEING LOIS' SUITOR!
SHE'S MINE! TRY TO TAKE HER FROM ME AND I'LL FIGHT YOU TO THE FINISH!
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AS THE BATTLE BEGINS...
GREAT KRYPTON! MY MIGHTIEST PUNCHES GO RIGHT THROUGH HIM! IT'S LIKE FIGHTING A PHANTOM!
SLUG AWAY! I HAVE POWERS YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY MATCH!
TWO SUPER-HEROES FIGHTING OVER ME... I SHOULD BE FLATTERED, BUT I'M FRIGHTENED!

THE STRANGE SLUGFEST CONTINUES...
WHAT A WEIRD PUNCH! HE MISSED ME, YET SOMEHOW MY INVULNERABLE BODY WAS HURLED BACK AGAINST THIS TREE!
CRACK!

BUT SUDDENLY, WHEN HERO EMPLOYS HIS HEAT-TOUCH POWER...
OH, NO! NO! HOW HORRIBLE! IT CAN'T BE TRUE!
LOIS! WHAT'S WRONG?

YOUR HAND!... YOU'RE A BIZARRO!
I KNEW IT!
DARLING... PLEASE LET ME EXPLAIN...

"IT ALL BEGAN ON THE SQUARE BIZARRO WORLD, WHERE EVERY-ONE IS AN IMPERFECT DOUBLE OF SUPERMAN OR ONE OF HIS FRIENDS..."

"THE BIZARROS HATE BEAUTY AND LOVE UGLINESS... THEY DO THINGS THE OPPOSITE OF THE WAY THEY'RE DONE ON EARTH..."
HA! ME CATCH YOU NOT LITTERING STREET! FOR THAT, CITY WILL PAY YOU FINE OF SIX LUMPS OF COAL!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT! ME WILL COMPLAIN TO TOP MAN IN CITY HALL.. THE JANITOR!
DONT PUTT TRAZH HEAR
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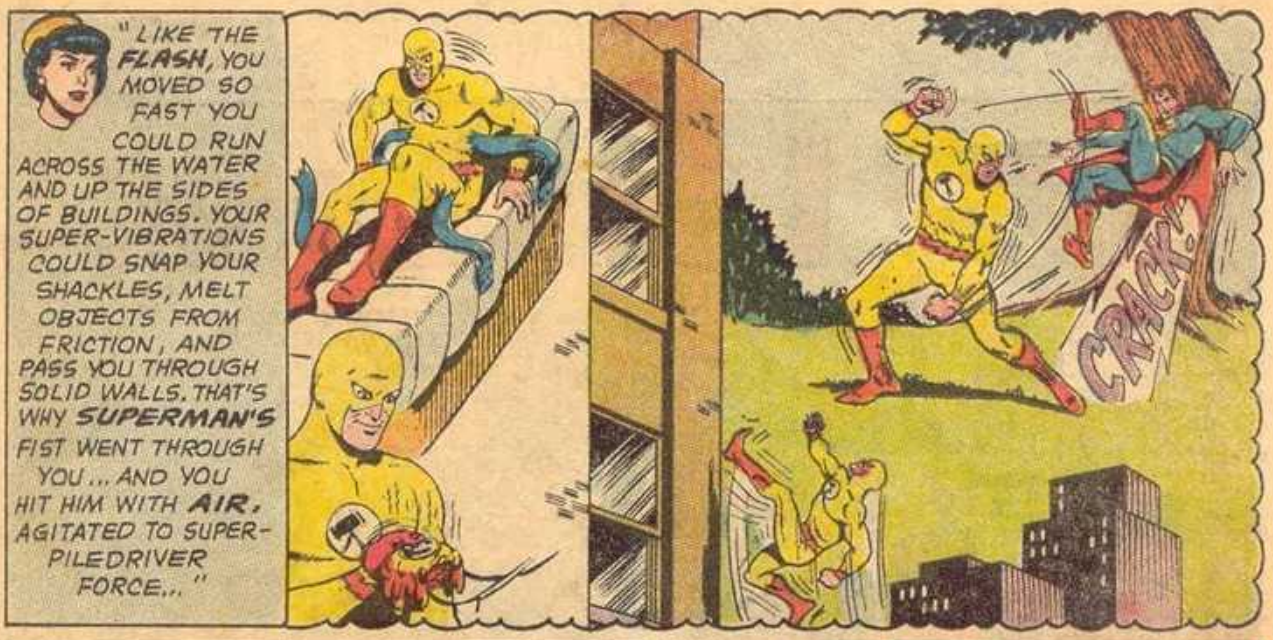
"RECENTLY, BIZARRO NO.1 DECIDED TO START HIS OWN JUSTICE LEAGUE..."
US WILL HAVE INJUSTICE LEAGUE TO DO BAD DEEDS! FLASH AM ON MONITOR SCREEN, BIZARRO-BATMAN!
US WILL USE IMPERFECT DUPLICATOR ON HIM, BIZARRO NO.1!
"BUT AS SOMETIMES HAPPENS, THE DUPLICATOR DIDN'T WORK PROPERLY..."
UGH! HIM GOT IMPERFECT COSTUME, WITH IMAGE OF GAVEL INSTEAD OF LIGHTNING! BUT HIS FACE AND VOICE AM PERFECT.
HIM AM DISGUSTING FREAK! US GET RID OF HIM!
"THEY SOON DECIDED WHAT TO DO WITH ME..."
US KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN! HIS PERFECT FACE EVENTUALLY TURN INTO BIZARRO FACE!
BUT UNTIL THEN, US ORBIT HIM IN SPACE CAPSULE! SUSPENDED ANIMATION DRUG KEEP HIM ASLEEP SO HIM NOT NEED FOOD!
"BUT LIKE EVERYTHING THE BIZARROS PRODUCE, THE CAPSULE WAS IMPERFECT! INSTEAD OF ORBITING THEIR WORLD, IT CAME TO EARTH..."
I TRIED TO ACT AS THE FLASH WOULD!
YOU FAILED, THOUGH! YOUR FACE WAS PERFECT, BUT YOUR MIND WASN'T! FROM THE VERY FIRST, YOUR BACKWARD BIZARRO THINKING GAVE YOU AWAY!
YOU SANK A SHIP YOU'D BEEN CALLED ON TO SAVE... REVERSED THE SIXES AND NINES IN THE ADDRESS YOU GAVE LANA... MISTREATED ME TO SHOW LOVE... AND KISSED ME TO DISPLAY ANGER!


"LIKE THE FLASH, YOU MOVED SO FAST YOU COULD RUN ACROSS THE WATER AND UP THE SIDES OF BUILDINGS. YOUR SUPER-VIBRATIONS COULD SNAP YOUR SHACKLES, MELT OBJECTS FROM FRICTION, AND PASS YOU THROUGH SOLID WALLS. THAT'S WHY SUPERMAN'S FIST WENT THROUGH YOU... AND YOU HIT HIM WITH AIR, AGITATED TO SUPER-PILEDRIVER FORCE..."
CRACK!

THE ONLY THING I HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT IS HOW MY KISS AWAKENED YOU!
YOUR CAMERA TOUCHED OFF MY JUSTICE LEAGUE SIGNAL DEVICE, IN MY BELT. THE SOUND TRIGGERED MY FLASH MEMORIES AND REVIVED ME!

SUDDENLY...
IT'S HAPPENED! HE'S TURNED INTO A "PERFECT" BIZARRO-FLASH, AS THE OTHER BIZARROS PREDICTED!
AWP! HOW UGLY!
UGLY AM RIGHT! ECHHHH!

ME CAN'T STAND SIGHT OF GIRL MONSTROSITY! ME FIND SPACE CAPSULE AND GO BACK TO BIZARRO WORLD, WHERE ALL GIRLS AM HIDEOUSLY BEAUTIFUL!
HE'LL RETURN TO THE SQUARE PLANET HE CAME FROM. SUPERMAN, PLEASE TAKE ME HOME!

WHAT AN EXPERIENCE! WELL, FROM NOW ON, THE ONLY HERO FOR ME WILL BE SUPERMAN.
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THE END

SUPERMAN'S GIRL FRIEND LOIS LANE

GOSH, ROBIN HOOD IS RESCUING ME FROM THE WICKED SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM, JUST AS SUPERMAN USED TO SAVE MY LIFE SO MANY TIMES IN THE 20th CENTURY! I GUESS ROBIN HOOD IS A KIND OF SUPERMAN OF SHERWOOD FOREST!
THERE IS AN ANCIENT SAYING... "THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY REMAIN THE SAME!" WELL, THIS PROVERB IS ESPECIALLY TRUE OF LOIS LANE, STAR REPORTER FOR THE DAILY PLANET! FOR EVEN WHEN LOIS IS AMAZINGLY WHISKED INTO THE PAST BY A TRICK OF FATE, MERRIE OLDE ENGLAND MAY AS WELL BE METROPOLIS, AND ROBIN HOOD MIGHT BE THE MAN OF STEEL WHEN LOIS TRIES TO BECOME THE...
SWEETHEART of ROBIN HOOD!
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AS REPORTERS LOIS LANE AND CLARK KENT ARRIVE AT SHERWOOD CASTLE, ENGLAND...
I'M GLAD THE DAILY PLANET ASSIGNED US TO COVER THE OPENING OF THIS ROBIN HOOD MUSEUM, CLARK! AFTER ALL, ROBIN HOOD WAS A SORT OF SUPERMAN OF HIS DAY!
ER... I SUPPOSE SO, LOIS!
OPENING DAY
SHERWOOD FOREST ← HOME OF ROBIN HOOD
ROBIN HOOD

SHORTLY, INSIDE THE CASTLE...
LOOK, CLARK! STATUES OF ROBIN HOOD'S MERRY MEN! THEY'RE ALL HERE! LITTLE JOHN, FRIAR TUCK, WILL SCARLET, ALAN-A-DALE...
HMMM... I'LL TAKE PICTURES OF THEM...

AS THE PAIR TOURS THE MUSEUM...
ROBIN HOOD RELICS
ROBIN HOOD
MAID MARIAN
SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM
WIZARD OF SHERWOOD FOREST
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GREEN SHAFTS GIVEN TO ROBIN HOOD BY THE WIZARD OF SHERWOOD FOREST. ACCORDING TO LEGEND, THESE GREEN ARROWS AFFECTED THE FAMED ARCHER IN STRANGE WAYS.
THIS QUIVER OF GREEN ARROWS WAS GIVEN TO ROBIN HOOD BY THE WIZARD OF SHERWOOD FOREST! THE ARROWS WERE SAID TO HAVE HAD A MYSTERIOUS EFFECT ON HIM! I'LL HOLD THEM UP WHILE YOU PHOTOGRAPH THEM, CLARK!
OKAY, LOIS!

BUT AS LOIS IMPULSIVELY REMOVES A FEW ARROWS FROM THE QUIVER...
OUCH! I-I SCRATCHED MY FINGER ON THE SHARP TIPS!

BUT NO MATTER! I'LL SURVIVE! I FIGURE WE OUGHT TO PLAY UP THE MAGIC GREEN ARROWS IN OUR ARTICLE! HMMM... I DON'T THINK THEY HAD ANY PECULAR EFFECT ON ROBIN HOOD! THEY DIDN'T DO ANYTHING TO ME! HA!... HOW'S THIS POSE?
FINE!
CLICK!

BUT MOMENTS AFTER, AS LOIS REHANGS THE QUIVER...
CLARK! H-HELP! I FEEL DIZZY! THE ROOM IS SUDDENLY WHIRLING AROUND ME! I... OHHHH...
GREAT GUNS! LOIS IS FAINTING!

AS LOIS COLLAPSES, SHE HEARS CLARK FRANTICALLY CALLING TO HER! BUT A FANTASTIC FORCE PROJECTS HER INTO A MURKY VOID...
LOIS! ANSWER ME! WHAT'S HAPPENED?
I-I'M FLOATING THROUGH SPACE! I'M GOING SOMEWHERE...BUT I SEE NOTHING BUT A HAZE!
SUDDENLY, AS A STRANGE HAMMERING NOISE GROWS LOUDER...
SOMEHOW I'VE BEEN TRANSPORTED TO A FOREST! AND THOSE MEN LOOK LIKE BOWMEN FROM ROBIN HOOD'S TIME!
WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE BY THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM
5 BAGS OF GOLD REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO HIS CAPTURE OR DEATH!
WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE
ODS BODKINS! GASP! ...A LASS APPEARS OUT OF NOWHERE! BEHOLD HER STRANGE ATTIRE! S-SHE MUST BE A WITCH! I'LL SLAY HER BEFORE SHE CASTS AN EVIL SPELL OVER US!
BUT THE NEXT MOMENT...
YIIII!
TWANG! TWANG! ZIPP! ZIPPP!
EAAAA!
THEN...
GASP! ROBIN HOOD! Y-YOU SAVED MY LIFE...JUST AS SUPERMAN DOES, MORE TIMES THAN I CAN COUNT!
SUPERMAN? I KNOW NOT THIS FELLOW! BUT COME WITH ME! I WILL TAKE THEE TO A SAFE PLACE...FOR I AM THE PROTECTOR OF THE OPPRESSED, WHOEVER THEY MAY BE!
SHORTLY...
SO THOU COMEST FROM A FARAWAY WORLD IN THE FUTURE? FAITH, GIRL, IF I BELIEVED IN SORCERY, I TOO, WOULD CONSIDER THEE A WITCH! BUT I SEE ONLY A DAMSEL IN DISTRESS WHO MUST BE HIDDEN FROM THE SHERIFF'S HENCHMEN!
NOTTINGHAM
PRESENTLY...
OH, ROBIN HOOD! 'TIS GOOD TO SEE THEE AGAIN!
THAT RED-HEADED HUSSY...KISSING ROBIN HOOD LIKE SHE OWNED HIM! SHE LOOKS AND ACTS LIKE LANA LANG! FOR ME, THIS IS A CASE OF HATE AT FIRST SIGHT!
BOAR'S HEAD INN
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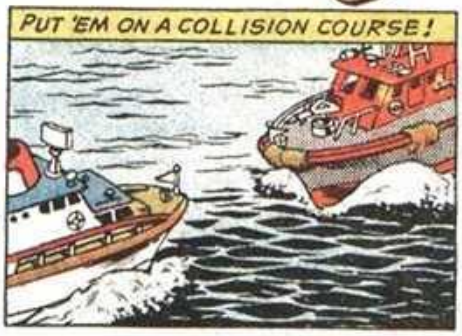

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THEN, AS ROBIN HOOD EXPLAINS THE SITUATION...
ANY FRIEND OF ROBIN HOOD IS MY FRIEND! MY NAME IS LAURA! I WILL LEND THEE SOME CLOTHING AND THOU WILT WORK AS A MAID HERE IN MY INN!
B-BUT I DON'T BELONG IN YOUR WORLD! I'M LOIS LANE FROM METROPOLIS! I...
SWEET DAMSEL! THY NAME MAY WELL BE LOIS LANE! BUT THIS TOWN IS NOTTINGHAM, NOT METROPOLIS! SPEAK NO MORE OF THY STRANGE HOMELAND, I PRAY THEE, LEST OTHERS THINK THEE A WITCH AND HARM THEE WHILE I AM ABSENT!
ALL RIGHT! I'LL FOLLOW YOUR... I MEAN THY ADVICE!
SHORTLY, IN AN UPSTAIRS CHAMBER...
GADZOOKS! I'D SAY THOU DOST FILL MY GARB ALMOST AS WELL AS I DO!
THE CAT! SHE WON'T ADMIT I'M AS ATTRACTIVE AS SHE IS! IT'S AS IF SHE'S SUSPICIOUS I MIGHT BECOME HER RIVAL FOR ROBIN HOOD'S HEART!
BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IN THE INN'S CELLAR, ROBIN HOOD MAKES A QUICK CHANGE OF COSTUME...
AS USUAL, I SNEAKED IN FROM THE BACK WAY TO CHANGE TO MY SECRET IDENTITY! NO ONE SUSPECTS THAT ROBIN HOOD'S OTHER "SELF" IS PETER, A LOWLY CHIMNEY-SWEEP AND MAN-OF-ALL-WORK!
NOW TO SMEAR MY FACE WITH SOOT SO THAT I'M NOT RECOGNIZED! FOR IF THE SHERIFF'S MEN REALIZE WHO I AM, I'LL BE HANGED!
SOON...
I WONDER WHERE ROBIN HOOD IS-- HE REMINDS ME SO MUCH OF SUPERMAN! SIGH! WELL, I GUESS HE HAS MORE IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO THAN SPEND TIME WITH ME!
PETER! AT LAST THOU ART HERE! WHEN WILT THOU COME TO WORK ON TIME? THE CHIMNEY NEEDS SWEEPING, AND THE PIG NEEDS ROASTING!

FORGIVE ME, MISTRESS! I KNOW I AM A LAZY LOUT BY NATURE, BUT I WILL GO SWIFTLY TO WORK! FIRST I WILL ROAST THE PIG ON THE SPIT! THEN I WILL PLAY THE LUTE WHILE THE NEW BARMAID DANCES!
ME DANCE? I-I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING BUT CHA-CHA!
NEVERTHELESS, LATER, AS LOIS TRIES TO DO AN OLD ENGLISH FOLK DANCE...
FORSOOTH, LASS! THOU DANCETH VERY WELL!
THAT'S MY LUCK! ROBIN HOOD DOESN'T NOTICE ME AT ALL, WHILE THIS DIRTY-FACED CHIMNEY-SWEEP CAN'T PRAISE ME ENOUGH!
MEANWHILE, AT THE CASTLE OF THE WIZARD OF SHERWOOD FOREST...
AYE, SHERIFF! I AM THE WORLD'S GREATEST SORCERER! I CAN MAKE LOVE POTIONS TO CAUSE PEOPLE TO FALL IN LOVE, FORMULAS TO TURN LEAD INTO GOLD, AND ELIXIRS TO MAKE OLD MEN YOUNG!
BUT YOU PROMISED TO DESTROY ROBIN HOOD!
WHAT MAGIC POWER WILL YOU USE TO GET RID OF HIM?
THE MAGIC POWER OF THESE GREEN ARROWS! ROBIN HOOD, THE FOOL, TRUSTS ME! HE THINKS I'M HIS FRIEND! THEREFORE, WHEN HE ACCEPTS THESE ARROWS AS A GIFT, HE WON'T SUSPECT THEY WILL DOOM HIM!
THE FOLLOWING DAY, AT THE INN...
I AM THE WIZARD OF SHERWOOD FOREST, ONE OF ROBIN HOOD'S FRIENDS! ROBIN OFT VISITS THIS INN! WHEN THOU SEEST HIM NEXT, WILT THOU GIVE HIM THESE ARROWS?
ER...SURE!... I MEAN AYE!
THEN, AS THE WIZARD LEAVES...
HMM... I WONDER IF THESE GREEN ARROWS WILL HAVE A BAD EFFECT ON ROBIN HOOD, JUST AS GREEN KRYPTONITE HAS A DEADLY EFFECT ON SUPERMAN?
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BUT WHAT AM I THINKING OF? THERE CAN'T BE ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN KRYPTONITE AND THESE GREEN-PAINTED ARROWS, ANY MORE THAN ROBIN HOOD COULD BE SUPERMAN! I'LL GIVE THEM TO ROBIN WHEN I NEXT SEE HIM!
INN
THAT AFTERNOON...
SEIZE EVERY PURSE YE SEE, MEN! THE KING NEEDS MORE TRIBUTE!
THE KING... BAH! 'TIS THE GREEDY SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM WHO KEEPS THE GOLD FOR HIMSELF!
EXCUSE ME! I...ER... HAVE SOME CHORES TO DO!
LOOK AT THAT SCOUNDREL, PETER! THE COWARD ALWAYS SNEAKS OFF WHENEVER THE SHERIFF TERRORIZES THE TOWN!
HMM... HE SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF HIMSELF! I'LL FOLLOW HIM AND GIVE HIM A PIECE OF MY MIND FOR RUNNING AWAY INSTEAD OF DEFYING THE THIEVES!
BUT WHEN LOIS TRAILS PETER TO THE CELLAR...
GOOD GRIEF! GASP! HE'S CHANGED CLOTHING! HE... HE'S NO LONGER PETER, THE CHIMNEY-SWEEP! HE'S ROBIN HOOD! LIKE SUPERMAN, ROBIN HOOD USES A SECRET IDENTITY!
MINUTES AFTER, AS ROBIN HOOD RACES TO THE STREET...
LOOK! ROBIN HOOD IS HERE! HE'S SPOILING THE SHERIFF'S PLANS!
YIIIII!
TWANG!
TWANG!
WHAT AN AMAZING COINCIDENCE! JUST LIKE SUPERMAN, ROBIN HOOD MAINTAINS A SECRET IDENTITY SO THAT HE CAN FIGHT INJUSTICE MORE EFFECTIVELY BY REMAINING "UNDERCOVER" TO SURPRISE VILLAINS IN THEIR ACTS OF CRIME!
THAT'S IT, SHERIFF! REACH FOR THY HAT!
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YEOOWW!
CLUNK
HA! HA! THOU IMPRISONED MANY AN HONEST YEOMAN IN THOSE STOCKS! 'TIS TIME THE KINGDOM'S MOST DISHONEST MAN HAD A TURN IN THEM!
PRESENTLY, AS THE SHERIFF'S HENCHMEN FLEE IN PANIC...
OH, ROBIN HOOD, THOU WERT WONDERFUL, AS USUAL! WITHOUT THEE, THE PEOPLE WOULD BE HELPLESS!
AGAIN LAURA'S KISSING HIM! SHE KEEPS CHASING HIM THE WAY LANA LANG CHASES SUPERMAN!
SOMEONE LEFT THESE ARROWS FOR THEE, ROBIN HOOD!
IT'S A GIFT FROM THY FRIEND, THE WIZARD OF SHERWOOD FOREST! HE SAID THE GREEN QUIVER AND SHAFTS WOULD HELP THEE CAMOUFLAGE THYSELF IN THE WOODS!
HOW CLEVER OF HIM! HE THINKS OF EVERYTHING! I MUST TRY THEM OUT! I'LL USE THE BOAR'S HEAD INN SIGN AS A TARGET!
BUT EVEN AS ROBIN HOOD FIRES THE FIRST ARROW...
GASP! I-I'M DIZZY! PAIN SEIZES MY LIMBS! OHHHH!
FORSOOTH! I-I HAVE NEVER SEEN ROBIN HOOD MISS THE MARK ERE NOW! HE MUST BE SICK!
BOAR'S HEAD INN
IT'S THOSE GREEN ARROWS!
THEY'VE AFFECTED HIM THE WAY GREEN KRYPTONITE AFFECTS SUPERMAN! BUT WHY? WHY SHOULD GREEN-COLORED ARROWS HARM ROBIN HOOD?
T-TAKE ME TO THE INN! I MUST LIE DOWN! I FEEL...SO...WEAK...
YES, ROBIN HOOD! I'LL TAKE CARE OF THEE!
SHORTLY AFTER, INSIDE THE INN...
DON'T USE THESE GREEN ARROWS, ROBIN HOOD! THERE'S SOME EVIL MAGIC IN THEM!
NONSENSE, LASS! I DO NOT BELIEVE IN MAGIC OR EVIL INFLUENCES! MAYHAP I AM OVERTIRED! I-I WILL REST WHILE YOU RUN TO SHERWOOD FOREST AND SUMMON MY MERRY MEN! I CANNOT NOW BATTLE THE SHERIFF ALONE!
BUT AS LOIS RUNS THROUGH THE STREET...
GOOD HEAVENS! THE WIZARD IS NOT ROBIN HOOD'S FRIEND! HE'S RELEASING THE SHERIFF FROM THE STOCKS!
NOW'S THY CHANCE TO DESTROY ROBIN HOOD! MY GREEN ARROWS ARE DOING THEIR WORK! IN HIS WEAKENED CONDITION, ROBIN HOOD WON'T BE ABLE TO DEFEND HIMSELF!

I MUST WARN ROBIN HOOD! HE'S BECOME VERY IMPORTANT TO ME! IF I'M TRAPPED IN THE PAST FOREVER, I CAN MAKE A NEW LIFE HERE BY MARRYING HIM! OF COURSE, LAURA IS MY RIVAL, JUST AS LANA LANG COMPETED WITH ME FOR SUPERMAN, BUT I'M SURE I'LL WIN OUT!
BUT EVEN AS LOIS GOES TO ROBIN HOOD...
'TIS TRUE! ;GASP! I-I MUST RUN FOR MY LIFE! I'LL USE THE REAR DOOR!
AFTER HIM, MEN! HIS ARROWS CAN NO LONGER HARM US! HE HASN'T EVEN THE STRENGTH TO FIRE THEM!
BUT THEN, AS ROBIN HOOD STAGGERS OUT...
ROBIN HOOD IS DOOMED! I COATED THE ENDS OF HIS ARROWS WITH GREEN-COLORED SNAKE VENOM! WHEN HIS FINGERS TOUCHED THE TIPS OF THE GREEN SHAFTS TO FIRE THEM, THE POISON ENTERED HIS BODY THROUGH HIS SKIN!
S-SO THAT'S IT! NO WONDER THE GREEN ARROWS ACTED ON ROBIN HOOD LIKE DEADLY KRYPTONITE!
SHORTLY, AS ROBIN HOOD IS CORNERED...
PSSTTT... ROBIN HOOD! COME THIS WAY! YOU'RE TOO WEAK TO HOLD THEM OFF!
OHHHH!
CLUNK!
SOCK!
YOUR ONLY CHANCE TO ESCAPE THE SHERIFF IS TO USE YOUR SECRET IDENTITY AS PETER, THE CHIMNEY-SWEEP!
BE NOT DISMAYED, ROBIN! LOIS TOLD ME SHE ACCIDENTALLY DISCOVERED THEE CHANGING COSTUMES IN THE CELLAR! WE MUST NOW DISGUISE THEE AS PETER! HURRY!
SOON, AFTER "PETER" IS SPIRITED UPSTAIRS...
SEARCH THE INN! IF YOU FIND A ROGUE WITH GREEN ARROWS...THE CHANCES ARE HE'S ROBIN HOOD IN DISGUISE!
;GASP! IN THE EXCITEMENT I FORGOT TO WARN ROBIN HOOD ABOUT THE GREEN ARROWS! HE MUST STILL HAVE THEM!

MOMENTS LATER, IN LAURA'S ROOM...
LAURA, WE'RE TRAPPED! THE SHERIFF IS SEARCHING THE HOUSE! IF HE FINDS THESE GREEN ARROWS HERE, HE'LL KNOW PETER IS ROBIN HOOD!
THEN 'TIS TIME I MADE A CONFESSION! I'M REALLY MAID MARIAN! HERE IS THE RED VEGETABLE DYE I USE TO COLOR MY BLONDE HAIR RED!
WE'LL DIP THE ENDS OF THE ARROWS IN THE RED DYE... AND ALSO SMEAR IT OVER THE QUIVER!
OKAY, LAURA...I-I MEAN MAID MARIAN!
NO WONDER SHE KISSED ROBIN HOOD! SHE'S HIS SWEETHEART! I DIDN'T RECOGNIZE HER BECAUSE THE PORTRAIT IN THE MUSEUM SHOWED A GIRL WITH BLONDE HAIR!
LATER...
HE ISN'T HERE! THIS FELLOW HATH RED ARROWS! KEEP SEARCHING THE INN!
PSST...LOIS, 'TIS STRANGE! I SUDDENLY FEEL STRONGER!
LUCKILY, THIS RED VEGETABLE DYE TURNED OUT TO BE AN ANTIDOTE FOR SNAKE POISON! UNCANNILY, JUST AS RED KRYPTONITE DOES UNPREDICTABLE THINGS... LIKE SOMETIMES SAVING SUPERMAN'S LIFE, SO THIS RED DYE SAVED ROBIN HOOD'S LIFE WHEN HE CAME IN CONTACT WITH IT!
THEN...
THOU HAST SAVED MY LIFE, LOIS! TO PROVE MY GRATITUDE, I HAVE A SURPRISE FOR THEE!
OH, BOY! HERE IT COMES! HE PROBABLY WANTS TO ASK ME TO MARRY HIM!
I'M GOING TO MARRY MAID MARIAN AND I WANT THEE, LOIS, TO BE HER BRIDESMAID!
H-HER BRIDESMAID? }GASP!{ OHHH! I'M FAINTING! THE ROOM'S WHIRLING AROUND...
SUDDENLY, AFTER TRAVELING THROUGH A STRANGE, BLACK VOID...
SHE'S RESPONDING TO THE SMELLING SALTS, MR. KENT!
CLARK! }GULP!{... WHAT HAPPENED?
WE DETECTED THE FAINT ODOR OF POISON ON ONE OF THESE ARROW TIPS! THE VENOM MUST'VE PENETRATED YOUR SKIN AND CAUSED YOU TO BLACK OUT!
LATER, AFTER LOIS TELLS CLARK ABOUT HER EXPERIENCE IN THE PAST...
YOU COULDN'T HAVE BEEN IN THE PAST, LOIS! IT WAS ALL A DREAM!
MAYBE SO! AT ANY RATE, THOUGH I LOST ROBIN HOOD TO MAID MARIAN, THAT RED-HAIRED HUSSY, LANA LANG, WON'T WIN SUPERMAN'S HEART! I'LL YET MARRY THE SUPERMAN OF THIS AGE!
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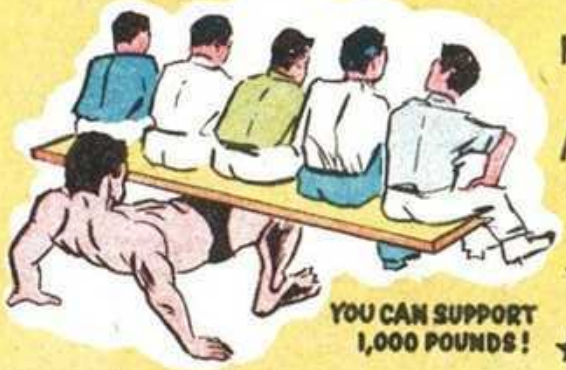

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LETTERS TO LOIS AND LANA

Dear Editor:

LOIS LANE 72 was great for a great many reasons. (1) The Hall of Fame Classic. I enjoyed this story even more than I did when I first read it in LL No. 37. (2) The cover, both art and design. It was a master stroke to show the luminous fish comprising the figure of Superman against the black of night. "One picture is worth ten thousand words." This picture was worth a mouthful! (3) The first story. It seems the image of Lois has been changed so that she's a real live human being, not a robot who has been programmed to learn Superman's secret identity, or marry Superman, or both.

—David Lewin, Limita, Calif.

(You had a lot to say about LOIS No. 72, Dave, but you were one of the few readers who failed to mention one point. Cast your orbs over the following comments.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In LOIS LANE No. 72, you had Lois in a new hairdo. At last! She finally came to her senses. Why, she looked 21 years old instead of 78! And that dress! I was so surprised when, for the first time in 100 years, she wore an attractive outfit instead of those "1940" suits! I BEG of you—have Lois wear flirty dresses on the job and let her keep that GORGEOUS new hairdo!

—Laura Mafchir, Bayside, N.Y.

Dear Editor:

Up till now, I always wondered what Superman saw in Lois. She didn't appear too pretty. But when I read "Lois Lane's Aquaman Tricks," I finally saw the real Lois. Make her wear that hairdo more often. If you don't, Lana will be the one to get Supie.

—Andrew Steckiw, Tonawanda, N.Y.

Dear Editor:

In "Lois Lane's Aquaman Tricks," Kurt Schaffenberger did just a wonderful job. I especially liked Lois' new hairdo. This changed her appearance almost completely. Please make the change permanent.

—Spyro Kalas, Central Islip, N.Y.

(Hair! Hair! Lois' new coiffure seems to have stolen the show from the rest of the issue, judging by the mail we've received—and we haven't found *one* letter from a reader who disliked Lois' new glamour look. So watch for it to become permanent beginning in the next issue.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In LOIS LANE No. 69, when Lois was in Lance Fortune's trophy room, did she fail to see the "Blue Max" in the glass case? It has a red ribbon and an Iron Cross. It was awarded to German aviators for shooting down 20 enemy planes. What was it doing in Lance's possession?

—Johnny Province, San Diego, Calif.

(Are you trying to insinuate that Lance was a no-good Nazi? Well, it just happens that he bought some souvenirs in a West Berlin pawn shop when he was stationed there after World War II!—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

You got many complaints that you weren't playing Lana up enough. So you gave her billing in the little ol' letter column's title. But it reads "To Lois and Lana," not "To Lana and Lois." To me, that is just as good as saying, "We hate Lana." With all the new comics coming from you guys at DC, can't you find room to publish a LANA LANG mag? Lana deserves it, for she is *L*ovely *A*mbitious, *N*ot too nosey, *A*ctive, *L*adylike, *A*nti-snobbish, *N*eat and *G*orgeous.

—Linda Fried, Flushing, N.Y.

(Sorry—but Supergirl gets first crack at having her own mag, about which we'll release a flash bulletin real soon. But we promise that Lana will be the next DC heroine to have her own magazine. Please wait—and remember that patience is a great virtue. —Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In "Hush Money, Sweet Lois—or Else," I was really disgusted with your muscle-headed muscleman! I thought he had more brains and manners than he showed. Lois just risked her life's savings, her precious Superman souvenirs, and considered marrying a blackmailer to save Superman from disaster, and all she got in return was thanks, flowers and her own souvenirs back. I think that superrat should have taken her on a special date instead of agreeing with her when she said, "What an idiot I was!"

—Nancy Goldstein, Southfield, Mich.

(But Lois didn't want to *go* on a date—she wanted Superman to *set* the date—for a wedding. Let's face it—Lois will never be satisfied as long as the only ring he gives her is on the telephone!—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

In LOIS LANE No. 72, Lois calls a pair of fish "Kissing Chromis." Being a tropical fish hobbyist, I noticed that mistake when I first read it. It should be "Kissing GOURAMIS," which is one of the larger tropical fish found often in home aquariums.

—Steve Ward, San Bernardino, Calif.

(The Kissing Chromis was a fish we found in THE CORAL REEF by Alfred Butterfield, published by Odyssey Press. The scientific name of the fish is *Chromis cyanea*.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

Good grief! I've seen statues, paintings, robots, aliens, doubles, criminals, ghosts, Supergirl, Jimmy Olsen, etc., on your covers, resembling Superman, but LOIS LANE No. 72 was the most original. Flying Fish! (Gasp! Wow!) I don't believe I've ever seen a DC cover anywhere near to it. That cover takes the cake!

—Dan Solla, Freeport, Pa.

(The "fishcake," you mean.—Ed.)

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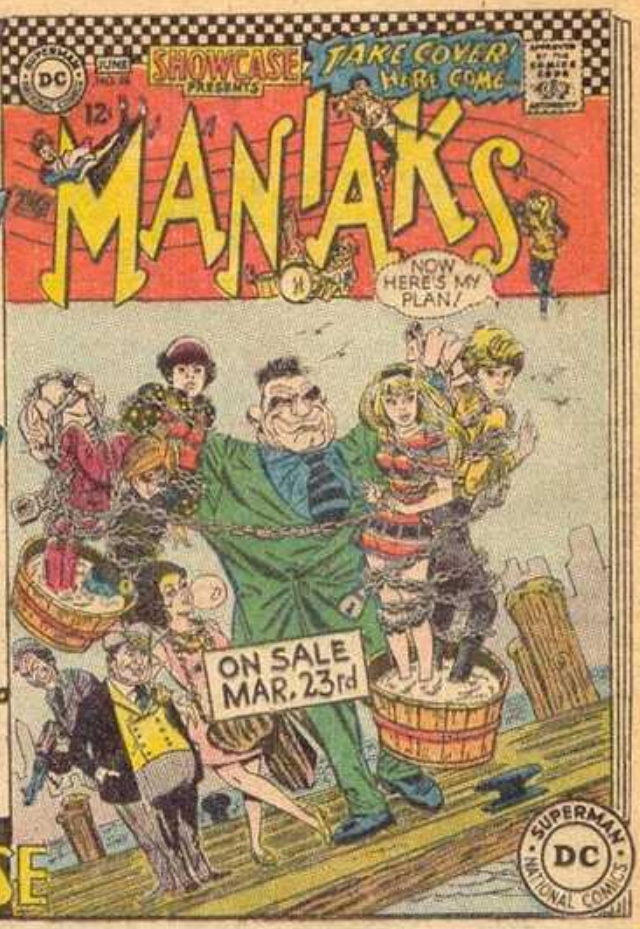

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Who'll chicken out in combat—and who'll stand and fight? EASY COMPANY'S SGT. ROCK finds the explosive answer in: "MONDAY'S COWARD—TUESDAY'S HERO!" You can read this battle blockbuster in the June **OUR ARMY AT WAR, No. 181,** on sale Apr. 4.

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In the **June HOUSE OF MYSTERY, No. 167,** ROBBY REED, the boy who can change into 1,000 super-heroes, meets his match in a thrilling DIAL H FOR HERO duel with "THE FANTASTIC RAINBOW RAIDER," a villain who can change into colors with awesome powers! on sale Apr. 6.

Featured in the **July TALES OF THE UNEXPECTED, No. 101,** on sale Apr. 6, is a sensational treasure-hunt tale—with a black magic menace cloaking the mystery of "THE GUARDIAN MONSTER!" Also, the adventure of a criminal who becomes a triple threat—"THE MAN IN THE LIQUID MASK!"

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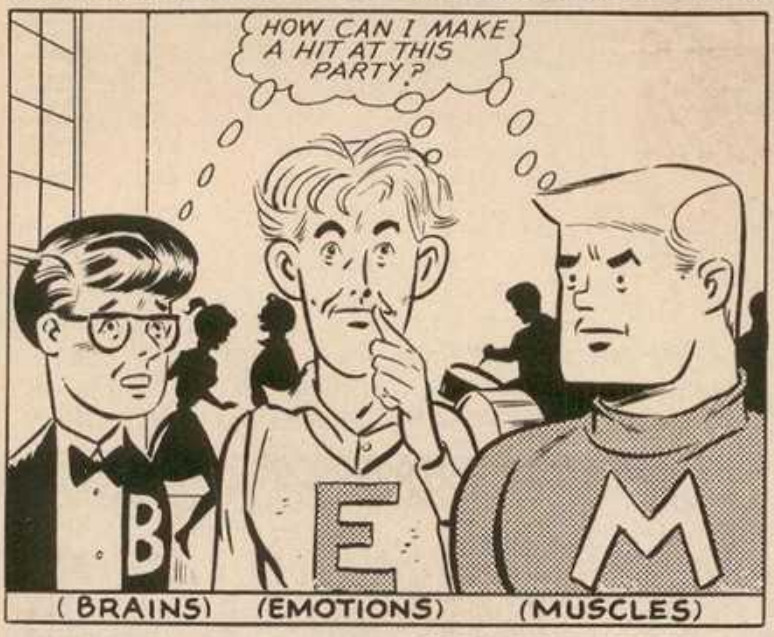

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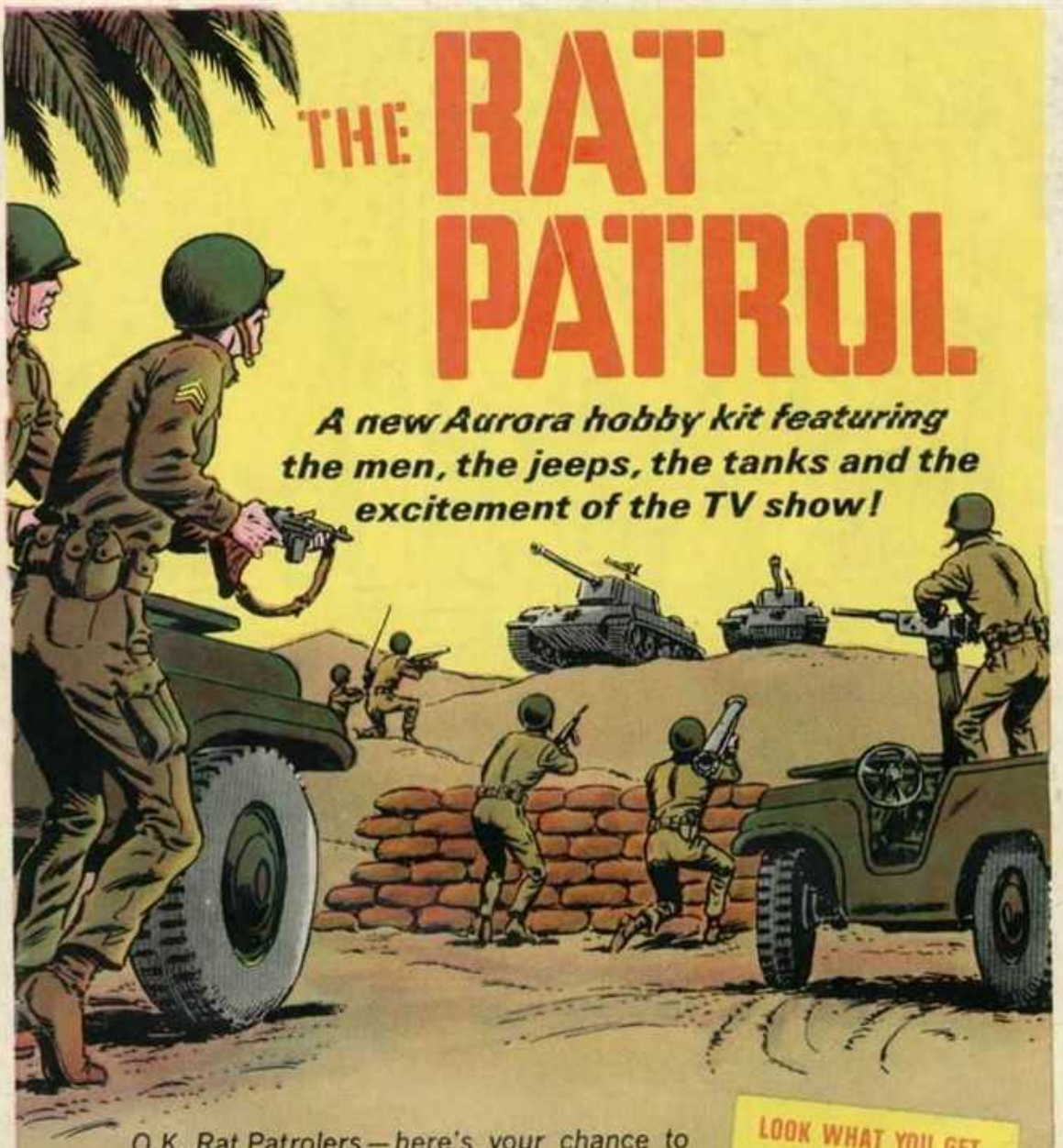

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